

Memo

To: Board of Managers
From: Michael W. Younes, Director of Municipal Operations *msw*
CC: Shana Davis-Cook, Village Manager
Date: 1/7/15
Re: Update on Capital and Infrastructure Upgrade Projects

Below please find an update on the various capital and infrastructure upgrade projects currently under construction and in the planning stage:

	Status	Duration/ Remaining	Est. Construction Start Date	Est. Construction Completion Date
<u>Village Initiated</u>				
Brookville Road Sidewalk Surface Replacement	Project Bidding	1 month	April 2015	May 2015
Streetlight Upgrades	Status Report – Feb. Board Meeting	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing
Sidewalk Replacements	Ongoing	6 months	Ongoing	June 2015
Village Hall Repairs	Under Construction	5 months	Ongoing	May 2015
W. Kirke St. and Laurel Pkwy. Intersection Improvements	Design Engineering	5 months	Ongoing	May 2015
<u>In-Partnership with M-NCPPC</u>				
Western Grove Park Development	Final Design	3 months	Ongoing	March 2015
<u>Utility Upgrades</u>				
WSSC Sewer Rehabilitations	Phase 2 – Permitting	TBD	TBD	TBD
<u>State Projects</u>				
Wisconsin Ave. Sidewalk Extension	Under Construction	1 month	Ongoing	January 2015

Brookville Road Sidewalk Surface Replacement:

- As part of the FY2015 CIP, the Village Board approved a new capital expenditure to replace the deteriorating surface of the Brookville Road sidewalk.
- As the Board is aware the sidewalk is subject to a lot of government review and restrictions from the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) and Historic Preservation Commission (HPC).
- Due to these restrictions the replacement surface must be permeable and mimic the same historic treatment that currently exists.
- After much research, staff has determined that rather than replacing the existing surface as is, a new more durable surface treatment will be used, called “cell tek with gravel-lok”.
- The new treatment has been approved for use by SHA and HPC.
- This new treatment is far more durable, ADA compliant, and is easier to maintain or replace if needed. Road salt from Brookville Road will not affect the gravel-lok system because it uses a polymer based binder rather than cement.
- Due to the costs of replacement, staff is currently in the bidding phase of the project and plans to bring a contract recommendation to the Board for possible approval in March.

Village Hall Repairs:

- All roof/gutter replacement work has been completed.
- Exterior Painting will be completed in the spring 2015.
- Interior repairs, such as touch-up painting, drywall work and other miscellaneous repairs are ongoing by in-house personnel.
- Under the New Business section of the meeting, staff will present for Board review and possible approval of 3 change orders for the project. A detailed breakdown of the changes orders is included under the agenda item in the Board’s briefing materials.

W. Kirke St. and Laurel Pkwy. Intersection Improvements:

- Preliminary design concepts are scheduled to be presented by the middle of January 2015, from the Village’s traffic engineer.
- Once design concepts have been presented, staff will make a follow-up report to the Board in February.

Western Grove Park Development:

- No updates since last month’s report.

Village Sidewalk Replacements:

- The Village’s sidewalk contractor will re-mobilize to complete this year’s round of sidewalk replacements/installations towards the end of January.

- When work resumes, the contractor will begin on the 5600 block of Grove Street, before proceeding with the new sidewalk installations along the 5500 block Grove Street and Kirkside Drive (between Grove Street and Western Avenue).
- Prior to beginning the work, direct mailings will be made to the affected residents.

Wisconsin Avenue Sidewalk (SHA):

- SHA's surveyors have completed their survey of the right-of-way line along the east side of Wisconsin Avenue that abuts 142 Hesketh Street, and they have determined that the fence installed by the homeowner is located on the property line and does not encroach into the right-of-way.
- With the property line now confirmed, the width of the new sidewalk will be narrower along this property—for a total width of between three and four feet—than it is immediately north and south of this location.
- Unfortunately, the only options available to increase the width of the sidewalk is for the homeowner to provide an easement for the sidewalk to encroach on the property. At this point, that seems unlikely to occur.
- Work on the sidewalk should be completed over the next couple weeks, weather permitting.

WSSC Sewer Rehabilitations

- No updates since last month's report.